

Bath & North East Somerset LSP Board

15th December 2009

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

A. Actions arising from 15th December 2009 Meeting

No	Action	Resp.	Target	Status
40	Redraft LSP Board terms of reference	DTr (SB)	March 10	Agenda
41	Include the feedback from the LSP Board in the next draft of the Economic Strategy	JS	March 10	Completed

B. Actions outstanding from previous meetings

No	Action	Resp.	Target	Status
39	A project update to be provided on options for the next stage of the Whiteway project	AT	Jan 10	2010

C. Detailed note of the meeting

Members Present

Cllr Francine Haeberling (Chair)	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Cllr Paul Crossley	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Cllr John Bull	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Anne Slade	Avon & Somerset Police Authority
Gary Davies	Avon & Somerset Police
Rhona MacDonald	Bath & North East Somerset NHS
Ros Brooke	Bath & North East Somerset NHS Board Member
John Bader	Somer Community Housing Trust
Dave Salmon	Avon Fire & Rescue Service
Chris Head	Representing the Voluntary & Community Sector
Ian Bell	Representing the Business sector
Peter Duppa-Miller	Representing Local Communities

In attendance

John Everitt	Bath & North East Somerset Council
Renee Smith Gorringe	Government Office South West (substitute for Hilary Neal)
Michael Tichelar	Chair of the Compact Board
Stan Frith	Chair of the Sustainable Growth Alliance
Jeremy Smalley	Divisional Director, Development & Regeneration, Development & Major Projects (for agenda item 4)
Simon de Beer	Policy & Environment Manager, Planning & Transport Development (for agenda item 5)
Jeremy Damrel	Project Manager, Development & Major Projects (for agenda item 5)

Officers in attendance

David Trethewey	Divisional Director, Policy & Partnerships
Annette Pearson	Group Manger, Policy & Partnerships
Sarah Brown	Strategy & Plan Manager, Policy & Partnerships

Apologies for absence

Hilary Neal	Government Office South West
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1. Minutes of the previous meeting

The detailed note of the meeting held on 22nd September 2009 was agreed as a correct record.

2. Evolution of the LSP: The Role of the LSP Board

David Trethewey introduced the report and the draft terms of reference. Amendments tabled and agreed to the purpose and accountabilities sections of the draft terms of reference.

A discussion was held on the role of the Board. It was felt that its role was to influence organisations within the Partnership. Several issues remained unresolved and it was agreed that a workshop session in March would be focussed on the detailed role and work programme of the LSP Board.

Agreed that:

- An away day event will be held for the LSP Board at its March 2010 meeting, focussing on: (a) the role of the Board; (b) its relationships with the LSP Executive and the theme delivery partnerships; (c) the key issues across the public service agencies and the Board's approach to them; and (d) its work programme.

Key Actions

- Redraft LSP Board terms of reference (**Action 40**)

3. CAA: The Area Assessment

David Trethewey introduced the report which provided an update on the Audit Commission's Area Assessment findings. A discussion was held over if there were any areas identified in CAA that were common across the West of England area. As each agency works within different geographical

boundaries, it was felt that this was not an easy exercise. However, the effect of the recession on public sector spending and managing the relationship with the community in an environment of changing public services is an issue for the LSP Board to tackle.

Agreed that:

The area assessment is used to improve the work of the Sustainable Community Strategy.

4. Draft Economic Strategy Developed by the Sustainable Growth Alliance

Jeremy Smalley introduced the report and provided some context about the current economic profile of the area. The strategy would help deliver the cross cutting themes of the LAA and would also be used for discussions with Government about securing investment into the area. The strategy would be owned and monitored by the Sustainable Growth Alliance.

The following points were raised for consideration in drafting the strategy:

- How to draw people upwards into the more skilled jobs rather than creating an economy where the gap between low educational attainment / unemployment and the jobs available widens
- How targeted intervention could be used to draw people into work
- More emphasis on social enterprise – particularly in the context of an aging population
- Ensure that the strategy covers all of Bath & North East Somerset and not just Bath
- Understand what is causing the delay in some sites coming forward for business use

Key Actions

- Include the feedback from the LSP Board in the next draft of the Economic Strategy (**Action 42**)

5. Infrastructure Delivery Plan

Simon de Beer and Jeremy Damrel introduced the report and explained the work under way to produce the Infrastructure Delivery Plan. The LSP Board queried how the voluntary sector was to be engaged with through the process, given the role they play in developing social capital. It was confirmed that an extensive list of stakeholders had been put together and would be involved at various points throughout the project.

The approach being taken to prepare the Infrastructure Delivery Plan in support of the Core Strategy was noted.

6. LAA Performance report April – September 2009

Annette Pearson introduced the report and highlighted the areas where performance was currently off target. Where performance is currently at red, action plans are in place to address issues. There was a discussion on overlaps between cohorts of young offenders (NI 19) and cohorts of young

people not in employment, education or training (NI 117); and there was a request for more information on the reclassification of domestic waste, which is affecting the achievement of the target for indicator NI 197.

The LAA performance update report was noted.

7. AOB

Renee Smith Gorringe informed the Board that funding had been awarded to B&NES to extend the Whiteway community engagement project concept into two other areas, London Road, Bath and Keynsham.

D. Actions completed from previous meetings

(Actions will be shown once, then removed from subsequent minutes)

No	Action	Resp	Target	Status
37	Audit Commission to consider further how they present information relating to a specific geographical area	PS	Sept 09	Complete
38	Feedback to the Audit Commission about the inclusion of private schools and private care homes in inspection judgements that feed into the area assessment.	PS	Oct 09	Complete